

AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 as indicated in Appendix A submitted herewith according to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 concerning a manner for making claim amendments.

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are presently pending in the captioned application with claim 1 being amended due to an inadvertent error reproducing the preamble of claim in the previous Second Preliminary Amendment of May 24, 2002.

In particular, claim 1 was amended to include a proviso in an amendment of May 24, 2002. However, the typographical error of "A chromene compound" in the preamble of claim 1 was inadvertently substituted for the preamble of "A photochromic material containing a chromene compound" as shown in the first preliminary amendment filed on February 19, 2002.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to correct the preamble of claim 1 as indicated in Appendix A. No new matter within the meaning of § 132 has been added by any of the amendments.